

Glossary

Open Space	Any space with a low percentage of development impacts relative to the local context
Greenway	A linear open space on land
Bikeway	A bicycle corridor
Blueway	A linear open space on water
Parkway	A road corridor designed with recreational driving aesthetics
Avitourism	Tourism based on bird watching
Ecotourism	Tourism based on visiting natural and ecological areas, also called nature-based tourism
Ecosystem	The summation of all natural processes that occur within any given area that interact with and/or are interdependent upon each other
Heritage Tourism	Tourism based on visiting historical sites
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
GMP	Greenway Master Plan
RPA	Resource Protection Area
PSA	Primary Service Area: an urban growth boundary (UGB) to encourage infill in certain areas with available water and sewer infrastructures and rural protection in others
LOS	Level of Service
VDOT	Virginia Department of Transportation
VIMS	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
Watershed	The area that drains into a watercourse such as a stream or river
Puncheons	Small footbridges
Stakeholders	Key groups of people who are affected by and can influence a project
Zoning	An area or district divided or differentiated from adjoining areas
Buffer	The unprogrammed or unused land between different zoning and land uses intended to soften impacts on adjoining properties
Land Use	The designation or classification of a property based upon its use.
Main Street USA	Streetscape design principles for aesthetic roadway elements
Loci	Place: used often as genius loci, meaning character of place.
Parkland	Land acquired for use as a park
Geotextile	A synthetic fabric used to enhance the engineered quality of soils